I just finished reading about the issue with satelite radio and local programming and I am stunned. I cannot believe that there is an issue at all. I recently purchased an XM radio for my car. My job requires me to spend a lot of time driving. As a result I was looking for an entertainment provider that gave me variety and consistent quality without making me listen to the same tape loop over and over again. The fact that I could get local weather and traffic for the cities that I was visiting was a bonus. I can't believe that the handful of players like Clear channel feel so threatened by XM and Sirius that they would seek legal action to prevent competition instead of getting off their fat butts and improving their own product. Hasn't a precedent already been set? Didn't we go through this same baloney with satelite television and cable television? Why should I have to turn off a subscription service that I am paying extra for to listen to a local free channel to get the same information? If I want to pay to get that information so be it! I can't believe that in this day and age with all that is going on in the world right now that our congressmen would even be wasting time on this issue.

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Thanks for reading this message